

Turkey Hatchery

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Eggs in Incubators on November 1 Up 5 Percent From Last Year

Turkey eggs in incubators on November 1, 2001, in the United States totaled 30.8 million, up 5 percent from November 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were up 2 percent from the October 1 total of 30.3 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, up 6 percent; West North Central, up 4 percent; North and South Atlantic, up 12 percent; South Central, up 2 percent; and West, down 16 percent.

Poults Placed During October Up 1 Percent From Last Year

The 23.8 million poults placed during October 2001 in the United States were up 1 percent from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were up 6 percent from the September 2001 total of 22.4 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central, up 9 percent; West North Central, down slightly; North and South Atlantic, up 2 percent; South Central, down 4 percent; and West, down 11 percent.

Turkey Hatchery Production: Monthly Poult Placements, United States, 2000-02 ¹

Month	Total All Breeds		Percent of	Cumulative Total		Percent of
	2000-01	2001-02	Previous Year	2000-01	2001-02	Previous Year
	1,000	1,000	Percent	1,000	1,000	Percent
Sep	23,016	*22,408	97	23,016	22,408	97
Oct	23,672	23,833	101	46,688	46,241	99
Nov	23,357			70,045		
Dec	23,297			93,342		
Jan	25,612			118,954		
Feb	23,775			142,729		
Mar	26,148			168,877		
Apr	25,858			194,735		
May	26,697			221,432		
Jun	26,021			247,453		
Jul	27,046			274,499		
Aug	25,012			299,511		

^{*} Revised.

Turkey Poults Placed United States 1999-2001

Million Poults 31 **3**0 29 28 27 26 25 24 23 22 21 20 Jan Feb Mar May Jun Jul Sep Oct Nov Dec Apr Aug Month - 1999 - ★ - 2000 - ◆ - 2001

¹ Excludes exported poults.

Eggs in Incubators: First of Month by Region and United States, November 2001 with Comparisons

Geographic Division	Nov 1 2000	Oct 1 2001	Nov 1 2001	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	1,000	1,000	1,000	Percent	Percent
E N Central	4,698	4,954	4,993	106	101
W N Central	10,424	*10,717	10,860	104	101
N & S Atlantic	8,876	9,343	9,897	112	106
S Central	3,066	3,026	3,118	102	103
West	2,253	*2,264	1,896	84	84
US	29,317	*30,304	30,764	105	102

^{*} Revised.

Poults Placements: Entire Month by Region and United States, October 2001 with Comparisons $^{\rm 1}$

Geographic Division	Oct 2000	Sep 2001	Oct 2001	Percent of Previous Year	Percent of Previous Month
	1,000	1,000	1,000	Percent	Percent
E N Central W N Central N & S Atlantic S Central West	3,451 7,757 7,983 2,586 1,895	3,178 *7,471 7,508 2,374 *1,877	3,769 7,727 8,168 2,491 1,678	109 100 102 96 89	119 103 109 105 89
US	23,672	*22,408	23,833	101	106

^{*} Revised.

Regional Listing:

North Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT.

East North Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

West North Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD. South Atlantic: DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV. South Central: AL, AR, KY, LA, MS, OK, TN, TX.

West: AZ, CA, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.

¹ Regional placements refer to poults placed from hatcheries located in that region, and not the actual location of the birds after placement.

Turkey Hatchery Estimates

Data Sources: Primary data for the "**Turkey Hatchery**" report are collected from weekly and/or monthly questionnaires sent to turkey hatcheries in 22 States. An attempt is made to collect hatchery information from all known hatcheries in these 22 monthly States. Approximately 65 hatcheries are contacted each month.

Revisions: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data and are usually less than 1 percent at the U.S. level. Revisions to the previous month are published in the monthly "**Turkey Hatchery**" report, while annual revisions are published in the "**Hatchery Production - Annual Summary**" report at the end of the marketing year.

Procedures and Reliability: Hatcheries are mailed a questionnaire and given adequate time to respond by mail. Those that do not respond by mail are called by phone. Diligent effort is made to ensure that all hatcheries are accounted for in the estimate. An allowance is made for all non-reporting hatcheries.

Accumulated poult placements beginning on September 1 and ending on August 31 are shown in the monthly "Turkey Hatchery" report. This time period corresponds with the placements of poults which will reach maturity and be available for slaughter during the calendar year. Only regional and U.S. level estimates are published due to the limited number of hatcheries involved. Regional placement data in the report refer to placement of poults from hatcheries located in that region, not the actual location of the birds after placement. Poults exported out of the U.S. and poults imported from outside of the U.S. are not included in the report.

Turkey hatchery estimates are based on a census of operating hatcheries and, therefore, have no sampling error. However, they may be subject to errors such as omission, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. These errors are minimized through strict quality controls in the edit and summarization process, and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

States in the monthly estimating program are: Arkansas, California, Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

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